GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA

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CULTIVATION OF WHEAT AND PADDY
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the total area of land under cultivation of wheat, paddy, oilseeds, pulses and other coarse foodgrains including vegetables and fruits in the country during the last two years, State/Union Territory-wise;

(b) whether the farmers in various States are disinclined to cultivate wheat and paddy;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the steps proposed to be taken to encourage the farmers to cultivate wheat and paddy?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a): The State/ Union Territory-wise area under cultivation of wheat, paddy, oilseeds, pulses and coarse cereals during 1999-2000 and 2000-01 is given in Annexure-I. The area under vegetables and fruits for the years 1998-99 and 1999-2000 is given in Annexure-II.

(b) to (d): It may be seen from Annexure-I that at all-India level, there is a decline in area coverage both under wheat and paddy in 2000-01 compared to 1999-2000. The position is however different for different states as there is an increase in area coverage both under wheat and paddy in certain States, and a decline in certain other states mainly due to aberrant weather conditions. However, there is a long-term increase in area coverage both under wheat and paddy during the decade of nineties. The annual compound growth rate of area coverage during the decade of nineties under wheat and paddy was 1.67 % and 0.62 % respectively.

Annexure-I

State-wise Area Under some Important Crops/Group of Crops for the Years 1999-2000 and 2000-01

States	Wheat		Paddy		Oilseeds +		Pulses		Coarse cereals	
	99-2000	2000-01	99-2000	2000-01	99-2000	2000-01	99-2000	2000-01	99-2000	2000-01
ANDHRA PR	13.5	10.6	4014.2	4027.7	2566.2	2675.6	1644.9	1797.1	1465.4	1451.0
ARUNACHAL PR	3.9	3.8	122.7	119.4	25.5	24.8	4.9	6.2	55.4	54.2
ASSAM	76.0	70.3	2646.0	2674.9	322.1	310.4	116.0	111.5	31.0	30.8
BIHAR	2144.5	2107.5	5001.8	3671.4	216.1	171.0	865.3	780.0	886.5	693.6
JHARKHAND ++	63.7	1481.0	50.1	116.3			175.0			
GOA	56.7	57.2	1.3	1.8	10.2	10.8	1.2	0.7		
GUJARAT	482.1	286.1	664.4	653.0	2799.4	2695.0	700.4	634.7	1569.4	1574.1
HARYANA	2317.0	2349.0	1083.0	1049.0	463.0	453.5	133.4	111.9	754.0	781.0
HIMACHAL PRD.	370.6	378.2	80.2	81.5	19.4	18.9	31.5	35.1	341.0	341.7
JAMMU & KASHMIR	245.7	276.8	250.6	244.1	75.9	70.4	28.8	31.2	355.8	355.7
KARNATAKA	261.3	266.0	1449.8	1482.0	1982.4	2197.8	1920.5	2061.0	4034.3	3981.0
KERALA	349.7	347.5	9.5	8.8	24.0	22.1	5.2	6.2		
MADHYA PRD.	4661.5	2687.7	5354.2	1674.0	5916.2	5612.5	4938.0	3324.0	2649.9	2160.1
CHHATTISGARH ++	65.7	3597.6	275.5	563.4	342.3					
MAHARASHTRA	1049.1	754.2	1519.8	1513.4	2739.6	2523.3	3597.7	3552.8	7470.0	7499.3
MANIPUR	157.1	160.6	2.6	2.3	0.0	0.0	4.3	3.6		
MEGHALAYA	4.3	4.3	106.4	102.6	9.3	8.7	6.2	4.6	19.4	19.7
MIZORAM	49.7	51.9	7.2	7.2	4.1	2.4	5.5	6.6		
NAGALAND	5.0	3.4	148.5	146.1	43.0	36.3	17.0	17.4	45.0	43.6
ORISSA	5.9	8.8	4601.8	4433.7	342.5	277.3	684.0	604.3	196.0	197.8
PUNJAB	3388.0	3408.0	2604.0	2611.0	104.7	87.4	66.0	59.0	198.0	202.0
RAJASTHAN	2650.2	2309.6	200.2	166.3	3635.4	2645.7	2473.1	2374.8	5629.8	6508.2
SIKKIM	8.1	7.2	15.9	15.2	10.0	10.0	6.7	6.1	47.6	47.6
TAMIL NADU	0.0	0.1	2163.6	2113.3	998.8	1056.0	860.4	745.9	804.4	1076.6
TRIPURA	1.3	1.1	232.2	241.1	6.2	6.3	7.5	10.1	1.3	1.6

UTTAR PRD. 9399.7 9169.5 6080.0 5838.8 1479.4 1395.4 2685.9 2679.3 2696.6 2413.9
UTTARANCHAL ++ 379.0 312.7 22.0 28.5 288.1
WEST BENGAL 364.2 426.0 6150.4 5435.2 502.9 599.6 275.4 322.3 59.2 57.1
A & N ISLANDS 10.6 10.9 0.0 0.0 0.9 1.3 0.0 0.0
D & N HAVELLI 0.6 0.3 13.2 13.8 0.1 0.1 5.9 4.3 2.1 2.2
DELHI 33.5 31.4 8.1 6.1 2.7 4.8 0.4 0.6 11.5 12.0
DAMAN & DIU 1.5 2.0 0.0 0.0 1.3 1.3 0.0 0.0
PONDICHERRY 25.4 26.1 1.0 1.3 5.8 5.8 0.3 0.3

ALL INDIA 27486.0 25068.3 45161.7 44361.1 24282.4 23249.8 21116.2 20026.1 29340.1 30327.6

+ includes nine oilseeds viz., Groundnut, Sesamum, Castorseed, Nigerseed,
Soyabean, Sunflower, Rapeseed & Mustard,Linseed and Safflower
++ Separate estimates for the newly carved out States available only from 2000-01.

Annexure-II

State-wise Area under Vegetables and Fruits for the years 1998-99 and 1999-2000

(Thousand hectares)

State	Vegetables		Fruits	
	1998-99	1999-2000	1998-99	1999-2000
Andhra Pradesh	249.3	230.1	378.6	449.2
Arunachal Pra	16.7	16.9	29.7	44.1
Assam	245.9	255.9	104.8	106.1
Bihar	616.6	626.0	303.6	309.3
Delhi	45.5	45.7	0.1	0.1
Goa	7.6	7.6	11.6	12.3
Gujarat	189.9	201.0	163.0	176.2
Haryana	120.0	135.0	26.2	28.6
Himachal Pra	45.8	40.6	207.1	196.6
Jammu & Kashmir	41.2	41.4	136.2	133.0
Karnataka	309.7	361.6	314.6	315.0
Kerala	159.7	159.7	233.1	187.8
Madhya Pradesh	234.0	258.7	63.1	67.4
Maharashtra	341.2	385.3	436.1	539.9
Manipur	8.5	9.0	23.8	24.6
Meghalaya	36.6	29.2	23.2	26.9
Mizoram	8.4	8.3	16.4	13.0
Nagaland	15.1	20.9	11.3	19.4
Orissa	883.9	788.1	249.4	204.9
Punjab	117.1	135.4	93.2	30.1
Rajasthan	99.3	98.7	21.2	20.0
Sikkim	9.4	9.6	9.5	5.9
Tamil Nadu	206.7	209.1	213.5	232.0
Tripura	18.4	18.4	30.4	30.4
Uttar Pradesh				
(Hills)	91.5	81.9	187.9	172.5
Uttar Pradesh				
(Plains)	640.7	688.9	305.2	315.1
West Bengal	1100.0	1122.3	128.0	130.2
A & Nicobar	3.1	3.1	3.7	3.7
Chandigarh	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.1
D & N Haveli	1.5	1.5	0.7	0.7
Daman & Diu	0.1	0.1	0.4	0.4
Lakshadweep	-	0.3	0.3	0.4
Pondicherry	2.2	2.6	0.8	0.9

All India 5866.0 5993.0 3726.8 3796.8